

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1 through 13 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claim 14 to read, as follows.

Claims 1 through 13. **(Canceled)**

14. **(Currently Amended)** An apparatus ~~according to claim 13~~; comprising:  
a layered board including a first layer capable of transmitting an electrical signal and an optical signal; a second layer capable of transmitting an electrical signal and an optical signal; a signal insulating layer interposed between said first layer and said second layer; and a signal connecting path penetrating said insulating layer, said signal connecting path establishing interconnection of a signal between said first layer and said second layer, and said signal connecting path having both a function of transmitting the electrical signal and a function of transmitting the optical signal;  
means for transmitting and receiving a high-frequency signal; and  
means for processing the high-frequency signal,  
wherein said apparatus is constructed as a cellular phone.